

Amendment No. 1 to HB0575

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 858

House Bill No. 575*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-601, is amended by deleting subdivisions (f)(2) and (f)(3) and substituting:

(2) Advise the county mayor on the enforcement of such rules and regulations as may be prescribed by the commissioner essential to the control of preventable diseases and the promotion and maintenance of the general health of the county;

(3) Advise the county mayor on the adoption of rules and regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to protect the general health and safety of the citizens of the county; and

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-603(a)(2), is amended by deleting the language "and the county board of health".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-603(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting:

(b) It is the county health director's duty to enforce the regulations of the state department of health.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-2-609, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(4) Rules and regulations as are necessary or appropriate to protect the general health and safety of the county.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-201, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (c):

(c) As used in this part, "quarantine" means the limitation of a person's freedom of movement, isolation of a person, or preventing or restricting access to premises upon which the person or the cause or source of a disease may be found, for a period of time as may be necessary to confirm or establish a diagnosis, to determine the cause or source of a disease, or to prevent the spread of a disease.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) A state or local governmental official, entity, department, or agency shall not require, or mandate that a private business require, proof of vaccination against COVID-19 as a condition of entering upon the premises of the business or utilizing services provided by the business.

(b) As used in this section:

(1) "Private business" means a person, proprietor, partnership, corporation, or other non-governmental entity, whether for profit or not for profit, engaged in business, commerce, or an activity in this state; and

(2) "Proof of vaccination" means physical documentation or digital storage of protected health information related to an individual's immunization or vaccination against COVID-19.

SECTION 7. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.